A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-352

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 5, 2006

To recognize and honor the extraordinary contribution of former Councilmember Betty Ann Kane to the effectiveness of the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau, for which she served as Administrator from 1996 to 2002, and to declare November 16, 2006 as "District of Columbia Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the Council of the District of Columbia in 1993 enacted the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Act (D.C. Code 31-1201 et seq.), which created a separate trust fund within the General Fund for the purpose of paying for all governmental costs associated with the regulation of insurance in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, every insurer doing business in the District of Columbia is assessed in accordance with its market share to fund the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund, which assessment is in addition to premium taxes paid to the District government under the District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1984 (D.C. Official Code 47-2601 et seq.);

WHEREAS, the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Act also established the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau, made up of insurers paying assessments into the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund, for the purpose of advising the Insurance Commissioner annually as to the need for, the fairness of, and any other matters with respect to the administration of the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund;

WHEREAS, the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau hired at its own expense Betty Ann Kane to be the Executive Director of the Bureau, and she served in that capacity continually from 1996 to 2001; and

WHEREAS, Betty Ann Kane carried out the duties of Executive Director of the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau in an exemplary manner, so that each year the Bureau, the Insurance Commissioner, the Mayor and the Council were able to agree on a fair and effective

budget for carrying out the District government's responsibilities for the regulation of insurance and the protection of the District's insurance consumers.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Betty Ann Kane, Executive Director of the District of Columbia Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Betty Ann Kane for her extraordinary service as Executive Director of the District of Columbia Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau from 1996 to 2001, and declares November 16, 2006 as "District of Columbia Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

<u>16-353</u>

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

<u>December 5, 2006</u>

To recognize and honor the extraordinary contribution of Larry E. Hinton, Associate General Counsel of GEICO, to the effectiveness of the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau, which he served as Chairman from 1999 to 2006 and to declare November 16, 2006 as "District of Columbia Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the Council of the District of Columbia in 1993 enacted the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Act (D.C. Code Official 31-1201 et seq.), which created a separate trust fund within the General Fund for the purpose of paying for all governmental costs associated with the regulation of insurance in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, every insurer doing business in the District of Columbia is assessed in accordance with its market share to fund the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund, which assessment is in addition to premium taxes paid to the District government under the District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1984 (D.C. Code 47-2601 et seq.);

WHEREAS, the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Act also established the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau, made up of insurers paying assessments into the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund, for the purpose of advising the Insurance Commissioner annually as to the need for, the fairness of, and any other matters with respect to the administration of the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund;

WHEREAS, Larry E. Hinton, representing GEICO, the largest single contributor to the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau, served as Chairman of the Bureau continually from 1999 to 2006; and

WHEREAS, Larry E. Hinton provided exceptional leadership to the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau in his role as Chairman, so that each year the Bureau, the Insurance Commissioner, the Mayor and the Council were able to agree on a fair and effective budget for

carrying out the District government's responsibilities for the regulation of insurance and the protection of the District's insurance consumers.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Larry E. Hinton, Chairman of the District of Columbia Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Larry E. Hinton of GEICO for his exceptional service as Chairman of the District of Columbia Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau from 1999 to 2006, and declares November 16, 2006 as "District of Columbia Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund Bureau Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

<u>16-354</u>

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

<u>December 5, 2006</u>

To recognize and honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., as one of the most revered and respected Americans of our time, and the United States of America recognized his contributions with a National Holiday named in his honor.

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday is celebrated to commemorate his life and legacy including his contributions to peace, justice and equality for all citizens annually on January 15th;

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., led a successful boycott of the Montgomery, Alabama transit stystem that resulted in the desegregation of that system and brought national and international attention to the problems of segregation and racial discrimination, in 1955;

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., organized the Southern Christian Leadership Conference that became the central base of operations for the civil rights movement during the late 1950's and 1960's:

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., led more than 200,000 people in a mass demonstration in Washington, D.C. to demand equal justice for all citizens in the shadow of the Lincoln Memorial, on August 28, 1963;

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. became the youngest recipient of the coveted Nobel Peace Prize, in December of 1964;

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., led the way for passage of the 1964 Civil Rights Act through his selfless commitment to inspiring human rights for all people;

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., through his dedication to full civil rights for all Americans, was a major force in the passage of the Voting Rights Act, which guarantees that the electoral process is a meaningful exercise in democracy for all people;

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy remains alive int hehearts and minds of all Americans and future generations through out the world.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Birthday Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia proudly joins the citizens of the District as they celebrate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and pay tribute to the life fo a man whose struggles permanently transformed the social fabric of America.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-355

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 5, 2006

To recognize and honor Amy T. Billingsley as an outstanding citizen of the District of Columbia, and to designate November, 29 2006, as "Amy T. Billingsley Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Amy T. Billingsley was born in Chicago, Illinois, on November 29, 1936 to Inez Duke, a school teacher and Herman Tate, a postal worker, both graduates of the University of Chicago. She attended the University of Chicago Laboratory School for three years before finishing at Morgan Park High School in 1954. From there she enrolled in the University of Chicago, where she graduated in 1958, earning a masters degree in counseling psychology from the Ohio State University in 1961;

WHEREAS, Amy T. Billingsley comes from many generations of civil rights activists, as her great grandfather was chased from Montgomery, Alabama in 1886 after writing an antilynching editorial in the newspaper he founded after the Civil War. Her maternal grandfather, who graduated from Harvard College in 1904, became an architectural engineer in Chicago and founded and became the first president of the National Technical Association, America's oldest black professional organization;

WHEREAS, by the early 1960s, Amy T. Billingsley had met and married sociologist Andrew Billingsley and was living in Berkeley, California. Andrew served as professor of social work, assistant dean of students and assistant chancellor for academic affairs at the University of California until 1970. By 1964, Amy T. Billingsley had given birth to two daughters, and she began working with community organizations and political campaigns. Her first political venture was the 1966 campaign of Otho Green for state assemblyman, in which he was narrowly defeated. She would later campaign for Tom Bradley and Andy Young before giving her support to Ron Dellums, whom she had come to know in Berkeley;

WHEREAS, Amy T. Billingsley moved with her family to the Washington D.C. area when her husband was named by Dr. James Cheek as Howard University's vice president of academic affairs. Amy T. Billingsley established a private consulting group and remained active in politics, community organizations and the lives of her daughters, Angela and Bonita. In 1975, Billingsley became first lady as Andrew became president of Morgan State University.

WHEREAS, in 1977, Amy T. Billingsley, along with nine other Washington-area women, formed Black Women's Agenda, Inc. to articulate the needs of African American women in the emerging women's movement; and

WHEREAS, in 1982, Amy T. Billingsley returned to school and earned her M.B.A. from the University of Baltimore;

WHEREAS, in the 1990s, Amy T. Billingsley was appointed special assistant to the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities within President Bill Clinton's administration;

WHEREAS, in 1997, Amy T. Billingsley became special assistant to Secretary of Labor Alexis Herman;

WHEREAS, Amy T. Billingsley left the Clinton administration in 2001, and has returned to her consulting work with Amistad Associates, where she specializes in event planning, marketing, management and financial consulting;

WHEREAS, Amy T. Billingsley's hard work has resulted in her being awarded the M.B.A. of the Year award from the Washington, D.C., chapter of the National Black M.B.A. Association, and with honors from the National Political Congress of Black Women and the mayor and city council of Washington, D.C.;

WHEREAS, Amy T. Billingsley through her extensive work with parent-teacher associations garnered awards from the Washington, D.C. PTA, Northfield-Mount Herman School and the Baltimore City Public Schools;

WHEREAS, Amy T. Billingsley is currently on the board of the National Black M.B.A. Association; and

WHEREAS, Amy T. Billingsley is Regional Director of HistoryMakers.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Amy T. Billingsley Day Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes Amy T. Billingsley as an outstanding citizen of the District of Columbia and declares November 29, 2006 as Amy T. Billingsley Day in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-356

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 5, 2006

To posthumously honor the life and work of Wesley Maxwell Lawton, and to declare December 3, 2006, as "Wesley Maxwell Lawton Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Wesley Maxwell Lawton was the son of a minister, and spent his life blending faith, art and activism;

WHEREAS, Wesley Maxwell Lawton studied at Virginia Commonwealth University School of the Arts, and received a Master of Theology degree at Wesley Theological Seminary's Center for art and religion in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Wesley Maxwell Lawton's artistic works resonated with audiences from the United States to South Africa;

WHEREAS, Wesley Maxwell Lawton's painting "Man of Sorrows" has been viewed by more than 10 million people;

WHEREAS, Wesley Maxwell Lawton testified twice before the Council of the District of Columbia on better access to medication;

WHEREAS, Wesley Maxwell Lawton was diagnosed with AIDS in 1992, but defied expectations to live an additional 14 years;

WHEREAS, Wesley Maxwell Lawton passed away September 16, 2006 at the age of 50; and

WHEREAS, the family, friends and community of Wesley Maxwell Lawton gathered for a celebration of his life on December 3, 2006.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Wesley Maxwell Lawton Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia posthumously honors the life and work of Wesley Maxwell Lawton, and declares December 3, 2006 as "Wesley Maxwell Lawton Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

<u>16-357</u>

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 5, 2006

To recognize and honor the 150 individuals profiled in the "Our Heroes Art Exhibit" of the Max Robinson Center of the Whitman-Walker Clinic.

WHEREAS, more than 9,000 people in the District of Columbia are living with AIDS and tens of thousands more people are estimated to be infected with HIV;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia has the highest rate of new AIDS cases per capita in the nation;

WHEREAS, December 1, 2006 is officially recognized as World AIDS Day;

WHEREAS, Whitman-Walker Clinic has been committed to providing health care and social services for those people living with HIV and AIDS since the beginning of the epidemic;

WHEREAS, the Max Robinson Center of the Whitman-Walker Clinic will recognize those 150 persons, organizations and entities that have played a pivotal role in the fight against HIV and AIDS; and

WHEREAS, the Max Robinson Center of Whitman-Walker Clinic will recognize those 150 persons through the "Our Heroes" are exhibit on Friday, December 1, 2006.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Our Heroes Art Exhibit Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors the hard work of all those involved in making the "Our Heroes" art exhibit a success, and declares December 1, 2006 as "Our Heroes Art Exhibit Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

<u>16-358</u>

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 5, 2006

To recognize and honor Ana Margarita Chavez, Cónsul of El Salvador in the District of Columbia, for her outstanding achievements, and to declare December 2, 2006 as "Cónsul Ana Margarita Chavez Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Cónsul Ana Margarita Chavez's steadfast career of service has significantly helped the Salvadoran communities of the District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia and West Virginia by improving community relations;

WHEREAS, Cónsul Ana Margarita Chavez has selflessly made herself available to Salvadoran citizens and businesses all around the area, helping to lift spirits and boost morale, and improved relations between the Consul's office and the citizens it represents; and

WHEREAS, Cónsul Ana Margarita Chavez was honored December 2, 2006 for her commitment, service and accessibility to community organizations and business, setting a high standard for other Cónsuls to follow across the United States and around the world.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Cónsul Ana Margarita Chavez Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors Cónsul Ana Margarita Chavez for her outstanding service to the District of Columbia and other states, and declares December 2, 2006 as "Cónsul Ana Margarita Chavez Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-359

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 5, 2006

To recognize and honor the many outstanding taxicab drivers in the District of Columbia who contribute to the city's hospitality industry and to recognize a one-day event called the "Hospitality Alliance of Washington, D.C. Taxicab Driver Appreciation Day".

WHEREAS, the Hospitality Alliance of Washington, D.C., is comprised of the Hotel Association of Washington, D.C., the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington, the Washington Convention Center Authority and the Washington, D.C. Convention and Tourism Corporation;

WHEREAS, the Hospitality Alliance of Washington, D.C. recognizes that the District of Columbia has a number of outstanding taxicab drivers who provide safety and comfort for tired business travelers, eager families visiting our attractions and dedicated employees going to and from work;

WHEREAS, many taxicab drivers in the District provide excellent customer service to riders;

WHEREAS, for the past two years, the Hospitality Alliance of Washington, D.C. has set aside one day in winter in order to provide coffee and pastries to recognize those taxicab drivers who serve as the first-line ambassadors of the hospitality industry in the District;

WHEREAS, the Hospitality Alliance of Washington, D.C. will once again hold a one-day "Taxicab Driver Appreciation" event at hospitality venues throughout the District for taxicab drivers in Washington, D.C. to enjoy the recognition they deserve;

WHEREAS, during this "Taxicab Driver Appreciation" event, taxicab drivers will also be provided with hospitality industry information on citywide events, Washington Convention Center events and a list of District restaurants and hotels in order to help inform these drivers about all of the options available to guests, residents and employees in the District;

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Hospitality Alliance of Washington, D.C. Taxicab Driver Appreciation Day Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the contributions of taxicab drivers in the District, and recognizes the one-day event called the "Hospitality Alliance of Washington D.C. Taxicab Driver Appreciation Day".

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-360

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 5, 2006

To recognize and honor Arna Meyer Mickelson's twenty years of service to the Washington, D.C. Jewish Community Center and to declare January 12, 2007 as "Arna Meyer Mickelson Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Arna Meyer Mickelson has devoted her professional career to serving the Jewish community;

WHEREAS, on January 12, 1987, she became the Chief Executive of the Washington, D.C. Jewish Community Center;

WHEREAS, when she came to the Center, it operated out of a townhouse above a dry cleaner with a staff of 5;

WHEREAS, her vision led the Center to select the historic Jewish Community Center building at 16th and Q Streets, N.W., as its home;

WHEREAS, her unparalleled understanding of the workings of a modern urban community center made possible the successful design of the conversion of the early 20th century building into a state-of-the-art community center;

WHEREAS, her enthusiasm was key to the Center's raising the funds needed to purchase and reconstruct the building;

WHEREAS, her leadership was essential to the success of the Center's move into the building;

WHEREAS, she has directed the development of an agency now serving over half-a-million persons a year;

WHEREAS, she has served as a mentor to a generation of young employees guiding the growth of the Center to a current full-time staff of 57;

WHEREAS, her efforts have made the Washington, D.C. Jewish Community Center a model for the nation and the District of Columbia a better place to live; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding this momentous effort, she has remained a mensch.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Arna Meyer Mickelson Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes Arna Meyer Mickelson's 20 years of service to the Washington, D.C. community and to declare January 12, 2007 as "Arna Meyer Mickelson Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

<u>16-361</u>

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 5, 2006

To celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the opening of the Washington, D.C. Jewish Community Center at 16th and Q Streets, N.W., to declare January 7, 2007 through January 13, 2007, as "J Street Week", and to recognize the 1500 block of Q Street, N.W., as "J Street" for that week.

WHEREAS, in 1990, the Washington, D.C. Jewish Community Center, ("DCJCC"), purchased the historic Jewish Community Center building at 16th and Q Streets, N.W.;

WHEREAS, the Washington DCJCC, while maintaining the building's historic character and use, transformed the building into a state-of-the-art community center facility;

WHEREAS, the Center opened the building on January 12, 1997, as the central location of the District of Columbia Jewish community;

WHEREAS, the Center serves the Jewish community and all residents of the District of Columbia from infants through senior citizens;

WHEREAS, the Center's nursery school, day camp, athletic leagues and fitness center improves the health and fitness of District residents of all ages;

WHEREAS, the Center's classes and lectures offer District residents lifelong educational and civic opportunities;

WHEREAS, the Center's community service activities benefit the least fortunate in the entire City;

WHEREAS, the Center's award-winning theater, film, literary and gallery programs have become an important part of the District's cultural scene and have made the District a nationally

recognized center for Jewish arts; and

WHEREAS, the Washington D.C. Jewish Community Center has become a major contributor to the resurgence of the Dupont Circle neighborhood and the entire city.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Washington, D.C. Jewish Community Center 10th Anniversary Celebration Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commends the DCJCC for its tremendous work and recognizes the observance of the 10th Anniversary of the opening of the Washington, D.C. Jewish Community Center at 16th and Q Streets, N.W.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-362

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 5, 2006

To celebrate the resounding success of the Ballou Senior High School's football team for its first City Title - DCIAA Championship, and its achievements on and off the field, and to declare December 19, 2006 as "Ballou Senior High School Knights, DCIAA Champions Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Ballou Senior High School was built in 1958, is located in Southeast Washington and named for Dr. Frank Washington Ballou, the seventh superintendent of the D.C. Public Schools;

WHEREAS, in keeping with its rich history and tradition, 2nd year principal Karen Smith supports a wide variety of programs of enrichment, and Ballou's 1200 plus students now benefit from Radio and Television Broadcasting, Math and Science, Culinary Arts, cosmetology programs and The Ninth Grade Academy;

WHEREAS; Moses Ware is the head coach of the Ballou Senior High School Football Team, the Knights is an alumnus of Ballou Senior High School Class of 1991 and played for the Ballou Knights. He went on to North Carolina Central University, played with the Minnesota Vikings, Nashville Cats of the Arena Football League and coached at North Carolina Central. Coach Ward accepted the Head Coach assignment at Ballou, returning to his old high school;

WHEREAS; the Ballou Knights captured the 2006 DCIAA Championship - the Turkey Bowl, and was also the 2006 DCIAA Eastern Division Champions; and

WHEREAS; the Ballou Knights boast having 13 All Conference players and one All Met Player and they not only take care of business on the field, but off the field as well, with 12 members carrying an overall 3.0 Grade Point Average.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this Resolution may be cited as the "Ballou Senior High School Football Team 2006 DCIAA Champions Recognition Resolution of 2006".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the Ballou Senior High School Football team, Coach Moses Ware, Principal Karen Smith, students, parents, friends and supporters of this great program and declares December 19, 2006 "Ballou Senior High School Knights, DCIAA Champions Day" in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.